Energy Task Force

Meeting Minutes Tuesday, February 11, 2020

Attending: Helen Young, Debbie Bentley, Bob Zogg, Jonathan DeKock

Meeting Called to Order at 7:08

Meeting Minutes

The minutes from January 8, 2020 were unanimously approved as amended.

Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 5th, 2020.

Goals Report

Working toward completing the next draft, with the desire to review and approve at the next meeting.

Community Interface

Had an excellent event at FRS in January, with good coverage in the Mosquito.

Barney has recommended we set up conversation with the various boards to discuss the concept of setting goals.

Need to work on getting more communication between the CETF and Civic Moxie.

Annual Report

Debbie wrote an excellent report, with input from Bob and Jonathan. A few changes were recommended. Debbie will send the next version in the next few days for final review and updates, and will then submit it to Jenn by Feb. 21.

Green Communities - EV Station

The ball is still in Eversource's court. We have not heard from them since our last meeting. Concerned about the impact these delays will have on our required schedule.

Municipal Solar

Ameresco reported that the GeoTech came back more expensive than expected. But it has no impact on our lease or interaction.

Community Choice Power

This is the last year of our current contract under the Community Choice Power Supply Program, and we need to plan for the renewal. We need to consider how we're going to go about renewing this to keep us on green power and get the best rate for the citizens of Carlisle. Bob reached out to our Town Administrator to offer CETF assistance, but has not yet heard back.

Other

How do we go about enticing new members? One option is to rebrand the committee as the Climate Action Committee. Another possibility is to split the committee so the municipal part falls under the MFC while the residential part and climate specific things align with the Climate Action Committee. Bob to contact Jenn Gibbons about placing another member recruitment ad in the Mosquito.

The HeatSmart Alliance is now up to 10 communities with 25 people involved. There are upcoming events, Bob will send notices out to the Mosquito and various social media locations.

We need to do incremental work on improving the website, and figure out how we can be effective on coaching on heat pumps and solar.

Can we do something for thermostats or clothes drying?

Reschedule March Meeting for March 5th to avoid conflicting with the Master Plan Public Meeting on the 4th.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 9:01.